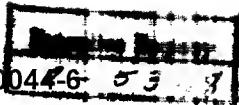


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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director, Research & Reports  
FROM: Deputy Director Central Intelligence  
SUBJECT: [redacted]

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I just reached [redacted] on the telephone in New York, and inquired about [redacted], an Economist recently with CPS and on your "list." [redacted] said he had worked directly under [redacted] but that he knew a good bit about him. He considered him a man of ability and intelligence. He had a fine personality and, as far as he knew, administrative ability. In fact, [redacted] seemed quite enthusiastic about the man but did not have very intimate details as he had not worked directly under his supervision.

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cc: Mr. Becker

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Dear [redacted]

I have your resignation before me, and while I must accede to your personal desires in the matter I do so with sincere regret.

Your service to the Agency has been outstanding and a cause for congratulation both to yourself and to the Government. You have given unstintingly of your energies in response to our demands and your loss will be keenly felt.

I am pleased that you are willing to make your talents temporarily available to us on occasion, and you can be sure that we will not hesitate to draw upon your fund of experience and information when we can do so without imposition.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Walter B. Smith".

Walter B. Smith  
Director

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O/DCI: [redacted]

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